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## AN ACT

To adjust the rates of compensation of the heads of the executive departments and of certain other officials of the Federal Government, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3       That this Act may be cited as the "Federal Executives Pay  
4       Act of 1955".

5       TITLE I—BASIC COMPENSATION FOR HEADS OF  
6       EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER FED-  
7       ERAL OFFICIALS

8       SEC. 101. The annual rate of basic compensation of the  
9       head of each executive department and of the Secretary of  
10      Defense shall be \$25,000.

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1        SEC. 102. The annual rate of basic compensation of  
2        the Deputy Secretary of Defense, of the Under Secretary  
3        of State, of the Director, Office of Defense Mobilization,  
4        of the Comptroller General of the United States, and of the  
5        Director of the Bureau of the Budget shall be \$22,500.

6        SEC. 103. The annual rate of basic compensation of the  
7        Secretary of the Army, of the Secretary of the Navy, of  
8        the Secretary of the Air Force, of the Director of the  
9        Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice,  
10       and of the Director of Central Intelligence shall be \$22,000.

11       SEC. 104. Section 105 of title 3 of the United States  
12       Code is amended to read as follows:

13       "COMPENSATION OF SECRETARIES AND EXECUTIVE, ADMIN-  
14       ISTRATIVE, AND STAFF ASSISTANTS TO PRESIDENT

15       "§ 105. The President is authorized to fix the compensa-  
16       tion of the six administrative assistants authorized to be  
17       appointed under section 106 of this title, of the Executive  
18       Secretary of the National Security Council, and of five  
19       other secretaries or other immediate staff assistants in the  
20       White House Office, as follows: Two at rates not exceeding  
21       \$22,500 per annum, three at rates not exceeding \$21,000  
22       per annum, and seven at rates not exceeding \$19,000 per  
23       annum."

24       SEC. 105. The annual rate of basic compensation for each

1 of the offices or positions listed in this section shall be  
2 \$21,000, as follows:

3 (1) Each Under Secretary of an executive department  
4 (other than the Department of State);

5 (2) The Deputy Postmaster General;

6 (3) The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs;

7 (4) The Administrator of General Services;

8 (5) The Administrator of the Housing and Home  
9 Finance Agency;

10 (6) The Director of the International Cooperation  
11 Administration;

12 (7) The Deputy Director of the Office of Defense  
13 Mobilization;

14 (8) The Administrator of the Federal Civil Defense  
15 Administration;

16 (9) The Chairman of the Renegotiation Board;

17 (10) The Director of the United States Information  
18 Agency;

19 (11) The President of the Export-Import Bank of  
20 Washington;

21 (12) The Governor of the Farm Credit Administration;

22 (13) The Chairman of the Council of Economic Ad-  
23 visors;

24 (14) The Associate Director of the Federal Bureau of  
25 Investigation, Department of Justice.

1        SEC. 106. The annual rate of basic compensation for  
2 each of the offices or positions listed in this section shall be  
3 \$20,000, as follows:

4        (1) The Assistant Comptroller General of the United  
5 States;

6        (2) The Deputy Director of the Bureau of the Budget;

7        (3) The Under Secretary of the Army;

8        (4) The Under Secretary of the Navy;

9        (5) The Under Secretary of the Air Force;

10       (6) The Deputy Administrator of Veterans' Affairs;

11       (7) The Director of the Federal Mediation and Con-  
12 ciliation Service;

13       (8) The Chairman of the United States Civil Service  
14 Commission;

15       (9) Each member (other than the Chairman) of the  
16 Council of Economic Advisors;

17       (10) Each member of the Board of Governors of the  
18 Federal Reserve System;

19       (11) Each member of the Board of Directors of the  
20 Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;

21       (12) The Comptroller of the Currency;

22       (13) Each Deputy Under Secretary of the Department  
23 of State;

24       (14) The First Vice President of the Export-Import  
25 Bank of Washington;

1       (15) The Chairman of the Federal Maritime Board, De-  
2   partment of Commerce;

3       (16) The Deputy Director of the United States In-  
4   formation Agency;

5       (17) The Deputy Administrator of the Federal Civil  
6   Defense Administration;

7       (18) The Deputy Director of the International Coopera-  
8   tion Administration;

9       (19) The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence.

10      SEC. 107. (a) The annual rate of basic compensation  
11   for each of the offices or positions listed in this section shall  
12   be \$19,000, as follows:

13      (1) The Assistant to the Director of the Federal Bureau  
14   of Investigation, Department of Justice;

15      (2) Each Assistant Secretary of an executive depart-  
16   ment;

17      (3) Each Assistant Postmaster General;

18      (4) The Fiscal Assistant Secretary of the Treasury;

19      (5) The Director of the National Advisory Committee  
20   for Aeronautics;

21      (6) Each member of the Civil Aeronautics Board;

22      (7) Each member of the Federal Communications  
23   Commission;

24      (8) Each member of the Federal Power Commission;

25      (9) Each member of the Federal Trade Commission;

1       (10) Each member of the Interstate Commerce Com-  
2 mission;

3       (11) Each member of the National Labor Relations  
4 Board;

5       (12) Each member of the National Mediation Board;

6       (13) Each member of the Railroad Retirement Board;

7       (14) Each member of the Securities and Exchange  
8 Commission;

9       (15) Each member of the Board of Directors of the  
10 Tennessee Valley Authority;

11       (16) Each member (other than the Chairman) of the  
12 United States Civil Service Commission;

13       (17) Each member of the United States Tariff Com-  
14 mission;

15       (18) The General Counsel of the National Labor Re-  
16 lations Board;

17       (19) The Deputy Administrator of General Services;

18       (20) The Archivist of the United States;

19       (21) The Commissioner of Internal Revenue;

20       (22) The Commissioner of Immigration and Natural-  
21 ization;

22       (23) The Commissioner of Public Roads;

23       (24) The Administrator of Civil Aeronautics;

24       (25) The Administrator of the Rural Electrification  
25 Administration;

- 1 (26) The Counselor of the Department of State;
- 2 (27) The Governor of Alaska;
- 3 (28) The Governor of Hawaii;
- 4 (29) The Governor of the Virgin Islands;
- 5 (30) The Governor of the Canal Zone;
- 6 (31) The Public Printer;
- 7 (32) The Librarian of Congress;
- 8 (33) The Architect of the Capitol;
- 9 (34) The President of the Federal National Mortgage  
10 Association, Housing and Home Finance Agency;
- 11 (35) The Deputy Administrator of the Housing and  
12 Home Finance Agency;
- 13 (36) Each member of the Home Loan Bank Board,  
14 Housing and Home Finance Agency;
- 15 (37) The Public Housing Commissioner, Housing and  
16 Home Finance Agency;
- 17 (38) The Federal Housing Commissioner, Housing and  
18 Home Finance Agency;
- 19 (39) Each Assistant Secretary of the Army;
- 20 (40) Each Assistant Secretary of the Navy;
- 21 (41) Each Assistant Secretary of the Air Force;
- 22 (42) The Special Assistant to the Secretary (Health  
23 and Medical Affairs), Department of Health, Education,  
24 and Welfare;

1       (43) The Chairman of the Military Liaison Committee  
2 to the Atomic Energy Commission, Department of Defense;

3       (44) The Administrator, Bureau of Security and Con-  
4 sular Affairs, Department of State;

5       (45) Each member of the Board of Directors of the  
6 Export-Import Bank of Washington;

7       (46) Each member of the Foreign Claims Settlement  
8 Commission of the United States;

9       (47) Each member (other than the Chairman) of the  
10 Federal Maritime Board, Department of Commerce;

11       (48) Each Assistant Director of the Bureau of the  
12 Budget;

13       (49) Each member (other than the Chairman) of the  
14 Renegotiation Board;

15       (50) The Administrator, Wage and Hour and Public  
16 Contracts Divisions, Department of Labor;

17       (51) The Director of the National Science Foundation;

18       (52) Each member of the Subversive Activities Con-  
19 trol Board;

20       (53) The Solicitor, General Counsel, Legal Adviser,  
21 or other chief legal officer of each executive department  
22 (excluding the Department of Justice) ;

23       (54) The ten assistant directors, International Coop-  
24 eration Administration, designated under section 1 (d) of



1 Reorganization Plan No. 7 of 1953 and section 527 (b)  
2 of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, respectively;

3 (55) The Administrator of the Saint Lawrence Sea-  
4 way Development Corporation;

5 (56) The Administrator of the Small Business Ad-  
6 ministration.

7 (b) The first sentence of section 603 of title 28 of  
8 the United States Code (relating to the annual compensa-  
9 tion of the Director of the Administrative Office of the United  
10 States Courts) is amended to read as follows: "The Director  
11 shall receive a salary of \$19,000 a year."

12 SEC. 108. The annual rate of basic compensation for  
13 each of the offices or positions listed in this section shall be  
14 \$17,500, as follows:

15 (1) The Associate Director of the Federal Mediation  
16 and Conciliation Service;

17 (2) The Director of Selective Service;

18 (3) Each Commissioner of the Indian Claims Commis-  
19 sion;

20 (4) Each Commissioner of the United States Court  
21 of Claims;

22 (5) The Assistant Architect of the Capitol;

23 (6) The Chief Assistant Librarian of Congress;

24 (7) The Deputy Public Printer.

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1       SEC. 109. The annual rate of basic compensation for  
2 each of the offices or positions listed in this section shall be  
3 \$17,000, as follows:

4       (1) The Treasurer of the United States;

5       (2) The Commissioner, Federal Supply Service, Gen-  
6 eral Services Administration;

7       (3) The Director of the Bureau of Prisons, Department  
8 of Justice;

9       (4) The Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, Gen-  
10 eral Services Administration;

11       (5) The Commissioner of Social Security, Department  
12 of Health, Education, and Welfare;

13       (6) The Commissioner of Reclamation, Department  
14 of the Interior;

15       (7) The Commissioner of Customs, Department of the  
16 Treasury;

17       (8) The Commissioner of Narcotics, Department of the  
18 Treasury;

19       (9) The Administrator, Bonneville Power Adminis-  
20 tration;

21       (10) The Deputy Administrator of the Saint Lawrence  
22 Seaway Development Corporation;

23       (11) The Director, Division of Slum Clearance and  
24 Urban Redevelopment, Housing and Home Finance Agency;

1 (12) The Director of Housing Research, Housing and  
2 Home Finance Agency;

3 (13) Each Deputy Administrator, Small Business Ad-  
4 ministration.

5 SEC. 110. Except as otherwise specifically provided in  
6 this title, the chairman or other head of each independent  
7 board or commission in the executive branch shall receive,  
8 during the period of his service as chairman or other head  
9 of such board or commission, annual basic compensation at  
10 a rate which is \$500 more than the annual rate of basic  
11 compensation prescribed by this title for the other members  
12 of such board or commission.

13 TITLE II—INCREASES IN MAXIMUM LIMITA-  
14 TIONS ON BASIC COMPENSATION UNDER  
15 CLASSIFICATION ACT OF 1949 AND OTHER  
16 LAWS

17 SEC. 201. (a) The compensation schedule for the Gen-  
18 eral Schedule contained in section 603 (b) of the Classifica-  
19 tion Act of 1949, as amended, is amended by striking out:

"GS-17----- 13,975 14,190 14,405 14,620  
GS-18----- 14,800"

20 and inserting in lieu thereof:

"GS-17----- 13,975 14,190 14,405 14,620 14,835  
GS-18----- 16,000".

21 (b) The rates of basic compensation of officers and em-

1 ployees to whom this section applies shall be initially ad-  
2 justed as follows:

3 (1) If the officer or employee is receiving basic com-  
4 pensation immediately prior to the effective date of this  
5 Act at a scheduled rate of grade 17 or 18 of the General  
6 Schedule, he shall receive a rate of basic compensation at  
7 the corresponding scheduled rate in effect on and after such  
8 date;

9 (2) If the officer or employee, immediately prior to the  
10 effective date of this Act, is in a position in grade 17 of the  
11 General Schedule and is receiving basic compensation at a  
12 rate between two scheduled rates of such grade, he shall  
13 receive a rate of basic compensation at the higher of the  
14 two corresponding rates in effect on and after such date;

15 (3) If the officer or employee, immediately prior to  
16 the effective date of this Act, is in a position in grade 17  
17 of the General Schedule and is receiving basic compensation  
18 at a rate which is in excess of the maximum scheduled rate  
19 of his grade as provided in this section, he shall continue to  
20 receive such higher rate of basic compensation until (A) he  
21 leaves such position, or (B) he is entitled to receive basic  
22 compensation at a higher rate by reason of the operation  
23 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended; but when  
24 such position becomes vacant, the rate of basic compensation

1 of any subsequent appointee thereto shall be fixed in accord-  
 2 ance with such Act, as amended.

3 SEC. 202. The Postal Field Service Schedule in section  
 4 301 (a) of the Postal Field Service Compensation Act of  
 5 1955 (Public Law 68, Eighty-fourth Congress) is amended  
 6 by striking out:

"18-----	12,500	12,800	13,100	13,400	13,700	14,000	14,300
19-----	13,600	13,900	14,200	14,500	14,800		
20-----	14,800"						

7 and inserting in lieu thereof:

"18-----	12,800	13,100	13,400	13,700	14,000	14,300	14,600
19-----	14,000	14,300	14,600	14,900	15,200		
20-----	16,000".						

8 SEC. 203. Section 3 of the Act of January 3, 1946,  
 9 as amended (38 U. S. C., sec. 15b), is hereby amended as  
 10 follows:

11 (1) The first paragraph of such section 3 as amended  
 12 by paragraph (1) of the first section of the Act of October  
 13 12, 1949 (63 Stat. 764), and the second and third para-  
 14 graphs of subsection (b) of such section 3 as amended by  
 15 paragraphs (3) and (4) of the first section of such Act  
 16 of October 12, 1949, are hereby redesignated as subsections  
 17 "(a)", "(c)", and "(d)", respectively, of section 3 of the  
 18 Act of January 3, 1946;

19 (2) The last sentence of section 3 (b) is amended to  
 20 read: "During the period of his service as such, the Chief  
 21 Medical Director shall be paid a salary of \$17,800 a year.";

1 (3) The last sentence of section 3 (c), as redesign-  
 2 nated by paragraph (1) of this section, is amended to read:  
 3 "During the period of his service as such, the Deputy Chief  
 4 Medical Director shall be paid a salary of \$16,800 a year.";   
 5 and

6 (4) That portion of the first sentence of section 3 (d),  
 7 as redesignated by paragraph (1) of this section, which  
 8 precedes the proviso in such sentence is amended to read:  
 9 "Each Assistant Chief Medical Director shall be appointed  
 10 by the Administrator upon the recommendation of the Chief  
 11 Medical Director and shall be paid a salary of \$15,800 a  
 12 year:".

13 SEC. 204. (a) Subsection (c) of the first section of the  
 14 Act of August 1, 1947, as amended (5 U. S. C., secs. 171p,  
 15 230, 476, and 626t; 50 U. S. C., sec. 158), relating to  
 16 limitations on rates of basic compensation for research and  
 17 development positions requiring the services of specially  
 18 qualified scientific or professional personnel in the Depart-  
 19 ment of Defense and in the National Advisory Committee for  
 20 Aeronautics, is amended (1) by striking out "\$10,000" and  
 21 inserting in lieu thereof "\$12,500" and (2) by striking out  
 22 "\$15,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$17,500".

23 (b) Section 208 (g) of the Public Health Service Act,  
 24 as amended (42 U. S. C., sec. 210 (g) ), relating to limita-  
 25 tions on rates of basic compensation for research and develop-

1 ment positions requiring the services of specially qualified  
2 scientific or professional personnel in the Public Health Serv-  
3 ice, is amended (1) by striking out "\$10,000" and inserting  
4 in lieu thereof "\$12,500" and (2) by striking out "\$15,000"  
5 and inserting in lieu thereof "\$17,500".

6 (c) Section 12 of the Act of May 29, 1884, as amended  
7 (62 Stat. 198; 21 U. S. C., sec. 113a), relating to the  
8 maximum limitation on basic compensation for positions of  
9 technical experts or scientists for research and study of foot-  
10 and-mouth disease and other animal diseases, is amended by  
11 striking out "\$15,000" and inserting in lieu thereof  
12 "\$17,500".

13 (d) The amendments contained in subsections (a) and  
14 (b) of this section shall not affect the authority of the  
15 United States Civil Service Commission or the procedure for  
16 fixing the pay of individual officers or employees under the  
17 provisions of law amended by such subsections (a) and (b);  
18 except that the rate of basic compensation in effect immedi-  
19 ately prior to the effective date of this Act of any officer or  
20 employee to whom the provisions of law amended by this  
21 section apply, which is less than a basic rate of \$12,500 per  
22 annum, shall be increased to such rate on such effective date.

### 23 TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

24 SEC. 301. The following provisions of law are hereby  
25 repealed:

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1       (1) The Act entitled "An Act to increase rates of  
2 compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive  
3 departments and independent agencies", approved October  
4 15, 1949 (Public Law 359, Eighty-first Congress; 63 Stat.  
5 880), except section 2 (b), section 6 (b), section 6 (c),  
6 section 6 (d), and section 9 thereof;

7       (2) That part of the paragraph under the heading  
8 "Federal Bureau of Investigation" and under the subhead-  
9 ing "Salaries and Expenses" contained in title II (the  
10 Department of Justice Appropriation Act, 1956) of the  
11 Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and re-  
12 lated agencies Appropriation Act, 1956 (Public Law 133,  
13 Eighty-fourth Congress), which reads ": *Provided*, That  
14 the compensation of the Director of the Bureau shall be  
15 \$20,000 per annum so long as the position is held by the  
16 present incumbent"; and

17       (3) That part of the first paragraph under the head-  
18 ing "National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics" con-  
19 tained in title I of the Independent Offices Appropriation  
20 Act, 1956 (Public Law 112, Eighty-fourth Congress),  
21 which reads "one Director at not to exceed \$17,500 per  
22 annum so long as the position is held by the present  
23 incumbent;".

24       SEC. 302. Nothing contained in this Act shall be held  
25 or considered to affect the last proviso in the paragraph un-



1 der the heading "Federal Prison System" and under the  
2 subheading "Salaries and Expenses, Bureau of Prisons" con-  
3 tained in title II (the Department of Justice Appropriation  
4 Act, 1956) of the Departments of State and Justice, the  
5 Judiciary, and related agencies Appropriation Act, 1956  
6 (Public Law 133, Eighty-fourth Congress), which reads  
7 "*Provided further*, That hereafter the compensation of the  
8 Director of the Bureau shall be \$17,500 per annum so long  
9 as the position is held by the present incumbent".

10 SEC. 303. The rate of basic compensation of any officer  
11 or employee of the Federal Government which is in effect  
12 immediately prior to the effective date of this Act shall  
13 not be reduced by reason of the enactment of this Act.

14 SEC. 304. This Act shall take effect at the beginning  
15 of the first pay period following the date of enactment of  
16 this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives July 30, 1955.

Attest: RALPH R. ROBERTS,  
*Clerk.*

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